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29 January 1981FBIS COVERAGE OF POLISH SITUATION

1. While the Polish domestic service continues to broadcast a single national program from three Warsaw-area transmitters, holiday programming has been in effect since Christmas Eve. More than 50% of the regular hourly newscasts have been replaced by seasonal music, features, and non-political talks. Television news and comment has also been curtailed because of the Christmas holidays. Jaruzelski's Christmas Eve speech was carried repeatedly on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. (U)

2. The Polish press agency PAP reappeared in English on 24 December. The resumption of this service was announced first by TASS Russian and TASS English which then discontinued carrying PAP items itself. Although TASS said PAP would resume service "on the same frequencies and on the same hours as previously," in fact this was not the case. The first PAP English cast represented a considerable cutback in comparison with its previous schedule. The material being carried by PAP is repeated from one cast to the next, and frequently repeats material carried by the domestic service. Warsaw PAP in Russian is still off the air. (U/AIUO)

3. The Warsaw radio's maritime service in Polish reappeared on 26 December using the same times and frequencies used prior to its disappearance on 13 December. There are hour-long programs six times during the day. (U)

4. Regional radios are still off the air, with none heard at London, Berlin, or Vienna. (U/AIUO)

5. Disruption of airline flights has again affected receipt of Polish papers at London, but FBIS Vienna has received TRYBUNA LUDU of 21 and 22 December and ZOLNIERZ WOLNOSCI of 22 and 23 December, both Warsaw dailies. (U/AIUO)

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